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**To:** House Judiciary Committee  
**Subject:** Request to Support Bill H-7487

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Dear Members of the House Judiciary Committee,

I am writing to urge your support of Rhode Island House Bill H-7487, which strengthens penalties for repeat violations of the law on the care of dogs and authorizes local animal control officers to enforce these provisions.

I have two credentialed pet therapy dogs and have seen firsthand how humane care and responsible ownership allow dogs to positively serve our communities.

Stronger penalties and clearer enforcement are essential to deterring cruelty and protecting animals. I respectfully ask the Committee to vote in favor of Bill H-7487.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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